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CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to publicly thank the friends, and members of the Rebekah Lodge for their untiring and generous help during the last sickness and after the death of our beloved wife and daughter.

ASA E. SWIFT.

Mrs. AND Mrs. CHARLES F. JACKSON.

BUSINESS SPECIALS.

Under this head business notices inserted for ten cents per line. Seven words to the line. 5 fur coats at F. H. Noyes' Blue Store for sale cheap. Two for \$6.50, were \$10. Two for \$8, were \$15; one for \$14, was \$22. Good time to buy one.

Grating wax at Stone's drug store.

Mrs. H. and her head trimmer, Mrs. F. E. Drake, will return from New York and Boston, last of this week. Both are in Boston, this week, attending the openings and selecting, as usual, the latest styles, novelties, etc., in millinery.

Beeswax at Stone's drug store.

High Life Coffee, Chase & Sanborn's Seal Brand, Akers & Haselton's.

Paint at Stone's drug store.

The original cash grocery store is at S. Harriman's. Call at his store and get prices.

Varnish at Stone's drug store.

25c horse whips for 9c, Chase's.

Culham, at the Norway coat and wood yard, will pay cash for dry cord wood.

Quaker ranges take a twenty-four inch stick of wood, full size of fire pot. Hobbs Variety Store, Norway.

All winter goods selling cheap at F. Noyes' Blue Store.

Mrs. Skillings' trimmer, Mrs. T. H. Wright, arrived, Wednesday of this week.

All orders will be promptly attended to and gotten out without delay.

Wall paper at Stone's drug store.

Spring suits now ready, men's, youth's and boy's. Next patterns, well made, low prices, at F. H. Noyes' Blue Store.

"Dutch" Java and Mocha, also a full line of bulk coffee, Akers & Haselton's.

2-qt. tea or coffee pots, 9c, Chase's.

Paint brushes at Stone's drug store.

Mrs. E. G. Skillings now has a full line of Em. Silk at 3c per skein, also all the latest novelties in stamped goods including cross-stitch patterns.

Spring overcoats at F. H. Noyes' Blue Store, fashionable and cheap. Call and see them.

Frog's head cheese, pressed corned beef, breakfast bacon constantly on hand at Akers & Haselton's.

Curtain fixtures at Stone's drug store.

Store to rent, good location for grocery store. Rent reasonable. Apply to C. W. Willey or C. A. Willey, Beal St.

5 10c cakes castle soap, 9c, Chase's.

Try a "Planet Dust Beater," a Companion carpet sweeper and a good stepladder for spring cleaning. C. B. Cummings & Sons have them.

Try one of those Magic Covers and give yourself time, order and patience. For by Mrs. W. K. Bickford, Steep Falls, Norway. Agents wanted.

If you want marble or granite work before Memorial Day, call on or address J. F. Bolster, Norway.

I have on my floor to remain until Saturday next the finest and most expensive cooking range ever brought into this town. It would like to have all see it who wish. Wm. C. Leavitt.

NORWAY AND VICINITY.

Mrs. Charles F. Millett is sick.

Hiram Berry has moved to Auburn.

Herman Paragard has gone to Auburn.

A carload of glass came to Charles L. Hathaway, this week.

Col. H. L. Shepherd of Rockfort was in town, Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. L. W. Bates and Paulina Whitney of Andover are visiting in town.

Myra Cummings spent Saturday and Sunday with her folks in Bethel.

Hon. James S. Wright of South Paris will be Norway's Memorial Day orator.

Judge C. F. Whitman will deliver the Memorial Day address at Peabody, Mass.

A good map of Oxford County costs but 50 cents. Sent by mail on receipt of price.

Llewellyn Jordan is laid up with a sore foot, caused by sticking a stub in the foot.

To S. L. Millett and the Citizens of Norway.

We understand in Mr. Millett's address at the late town meeting that he said previous to my taking charge of Town Clerk that he kept *prayer* time. We would inform Mr. Millett that the best chronometer the world ever produced did not keep perfect time, surely not a tower clock. We also understand he said that I had been letting the water leak on clock and in article of March 24th he says he has made inquiries and finds roof does not leak, perhaps he can explain where water spoken of first did come from. Also in article of the 24th, he says "with my experience cheap work has always proved the most expensive." We would be pleased to know when Mr. Millett had that experience, as we never heard of his paying more for anything than possible. Speaking of cheap work, there is cheap work and *cheap work*, but a cheap price does not always signify cheap article. We don't consider, however, that \$18.00 per year is such a very cheap price for care of said clock. There are many other of these Howard clocks where not as much is paid for care of same, for instance South Paris pays \$12.00 and Fryeburg only \$5.00, but they find people willing to do the work.

Respectfully, H. H. BURNHAM.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Davis are to have charge of the Waterford town farm, the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Jones are visited by Mrs. Jones' mother, Mrs. Geo. W. Hunt of Bath.

Lincoln Twitchell will conduct a union gospel service in G. A. R. Hall at 2 o'clock p. m., Sunday.

Rev. B. S. Rideout was called to Bethel's Mills to attend the funeral of Mrs. Cyrus Haskell, Monday.

Frank Field with his little boy, Harmon of Auburn was at his brother's, F. H. Noyes', last Sunday.

G. Leon Curtis went to West Paris, Tuesday, to attend the funeral of his grandmother, Mrs. Laura Warner.

Grand Scribe Howard D. Smith paid an official visit to Rumford Royal Arch Chapter at Rumford Falls, Monday.

O. W. Brown starts out, April 10, on the summer hotel business for the N. Y. Press for Maine and New Brunswick.

Herbert A. Rich has bought the meadow land north of Norway Branch R. R., which belonged to Gorham McAllister.

Mr. and Mrs. George T. Jaques returned to their home in Lynn, Wednesday. Mr. Jaques has been superintendent of the E. B. Spinyard & Co. shoe factory, the past winter.

Subscription Rates.

2 months, 25 cents.
3 months, 35 cents.
4 months, 50 cents.
6 months, 75 cents.

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The Methodist pastors of Norway and Mechanic Falls, Rev. W. B. Eldridge and Rev. Alexander Hamilton, exchanged pulpits, Sunday.

Frank Kimball, tenor; Mrs. Frank Kimball, soprano; and Virginia Sargent, pianist, took part in a concert at Paris Hill, Tuesday evening.

Cheri L. Paragard, who has been foreman of the healing room at the shoe factory some twenty-three years, has got through working there.

L. B. Abbott has been engaged by the overseers of the poor to run Norway town farm for one year. Mr. Abbott and wife have had charge of the town farm and were efficient superintendent and matron.

C. L. Hathaway has bought a Home Glenwood Grand Range of Wm. C. Leavitt. Mr. Leavitt tells us this is the most expensive range ever brought into this town. It is attracting considerable attention at his store.

Bial F. Bradbury, Grand Principal Conductor of Work of the Grand Council of Maine, R. & S. M., made an official visit to Dunlap Council at Lewiston, Tuesday evening. Companions Harry F. Jones, Herman C. Paragard and Vivian W. Hills accompanied him.

J. Freeland Bolster has shot thirteen foxes ahead of his old dog, this season, and one other fox has been killed ahead of the same dog. Mr. Bolster has a young dog that ran with the old one, this season, and bids fair to be equally good at fox driving.

At the last concert at Concert Hall there was the largest crowd for years, with over fifty couples on the floor at the march. The young girls got up the circle and they have every reason to be pleased with their efforts as the tables were loaded with substantial and dainties and all present spoke in the highest terms of the pleasant evening. The next circle will be got up by the S's, next Tuesday evening.

Cyrus Woodsum has measured the amount of snow-fall, the past season. The first snow came, Nov. 10. The following is by months:

Snow during Nov.	23 inches
" " Dec.	17 1/2 "
" " Jan.	25 1/2 "
" " Feb.	25 1/2 "
" " Mar.	39 "
Total	134 inches

This shows there has been a fall of 10 feet and 4 inches of snow, up to March 28th.

Frank B. Lee started for Saratoga, N. Y., Wednesday. He is to be general manager of the Saratoga Traction Co.

Mr. Lee has been superintendent and manager of the Norway and Paris Street R. R. since it was opened for travel in July, 1896.

William J. Jones takes charge of the N. & P. St. R. R., and now on have oversight of both the electric plant and the street railroad.

Ernest Rowe will be assistant superintendent of the road.

The Pike's Hill Reading Club will meet at J. E. Rhodes', March 31, in the evening, with the following officers:

Pres., U. S. G. Abbott.
Vice-Pres., J. E. Rhodes.
Sec., R. E. Bradbury.
Treas., C. E. Gammon.
Clk., Louise Gammon, Richard Dietrich, Clare Gammon.

The club has a question, with the reading continued from last meeting, "What are the three most important things for the farmer's benefit?" We hope everyone will have a word to say.

Funeral of Mrs. Charles H. Leonard, formerly of Norway, took place at her late residence, 39 Oak street, Brockton, Mass., March 22d, with a large attendance of friends. The friends, relatives and acquaintances that attended the funeral partly attested to the love and esteem in which the deceased was held.

The services commenced at 2:30 p. m. and long before that time the house was crowded with friends. The service was simple and impressive and was conducted by Rev. R. L. Roe, pastor of the Waldo Congregational church. The floral tokens were many and beautiful. From her husband there came a star and crescent with the inscription wife on the face; Will, Jesse and Fred Leonard, her sons; Mrs. Smith of Norway, mother of deceased, bouquet of calla lilies; sister, Mrs. Sadie Connor of Lynn, Mass., bouquet of roses; W. L. Douglas shoe company's cutting room where the husband is employed, star and crescent; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Howard and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Littlefield, cross; Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Field, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Ezra H. W. Mitchell, with broken string; Mrs. Azuba Wilbur and Mrs. L. E. Godwin, aunt and cousin, crescent; Mr. and Mrs. Cook, spray of pinks; George P. Chase, spray of white roses; Mrs. John Graham, bouquet; Mrs. Henry W. Chevery, spray. Fall bearers were Henry Littlefield, Cornelius Tyler, Horace Mitchell and Galen Tyler. Interment was at Union Cemetery.

Laid to Rest.

The funeral of Mrs. Bessie Jackson Swift was held at the house, corner of Paris and Winter streets, Saturday afternoon. The members of Mt. Hope Rebekah Lodge attended in a body. Folks who came from away were Mr. and Mrs. Fred F. Philbrook, Conway Center; Mr. and Mrs. I. O. Swift, West Sumner; Mr. and Mrs. E. Parker, Boston; Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Packard, Greenwood; Mrs. Charles Rawson, Auburn. Words of comfort were spoken by Rev. B. S. Rideout.

The flowers were beautiful indeed, as was fitting for one who loved them:

Asa E. Swift—Pillow, word "Wife."

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jackson—Wreath, word "Bessie."

Mt. Hope Rebekah Lodge—White pinks.

Mr. Hope Degree Staff—Crescent.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Harmon and friends, Mechanic Falls—Roses.

Mrs. S. F. Davis—White pinks.

Edith Parker—Cut flowers.

Mrs. W. C. Cole—Cut flowers.

Mrs. and Mrs. W. F. Bissac—Cut flowers.

Mrs. J. L. Horne—Pinks.

Mr. and Mrs. Akers—Pinks.

Mrs. Eliza Frost—Cut flowers.

The bearers were G. Julian Brown, Frank E. Williams, Frank D. Briggs and Charles W. Chick. She will rest in Pine Grove cemetery.

The bereaved husband, Asa E. Swift, has not yet decided what he will do, but has contemplated going to Massachusetts.

The motherless little boy, Charles F. Swift, is four years old. He will live with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Jackson of Haverhill, Mass.

Easter at the Churches.

Next Sunday will be Easter. The great Christian festival day will be celebrated in Maine with from three to four feet of snow on the ground.

Norway Village.

At the Episcopal and Baptist churches there will be no Easter service, as they are at present without pastors.

UNIVERSALIST.—At the regular morning service, the pastor, Rev. Caroline E. Angell, will deliver a sermon on "Some of the teachings of Easter." The communion of the Lord's Supper will be served, and new members will be admitted to the church.

The choir—Mrs. Frank Kimball, soprano; Clara M. Gammon, alto; Frank Kimball, tenor; George A. Briggs, bass; Marian W. Jones, organist. Will be assisted by Carrie Tucker, soprano, in the following music:

Organ Voluntary, Easter March—Fagler. Quartet (by request), they have taken away my Lord—Knowlton. Five part Easter Carol, Jesus Christ is risen, to-day—Barrett. Quartet, choir and piano, Overture, in the quietness of the night—Postlude, Christ, the Lord, is risen, to-day—Ashford.

In the evening, there will be a concert. Recitations will be given by Rev. Miss Angell and Misses Cummings, Leavitt and Schuener. The musical program will be:

Orchestral Overture, Truhlings Erwachen—Rach. Violin, violin; F. F. Knapp, cornet; F. Kimball, clarinet; Miss Jones, piano. Hail, Bright Abode, Thou Church of Jesus Christ (Sacred words adapted by Danks).

Solo, The Ninety and Nine, Kennetha Gurney. Overture, Softly Rang the Bells of Heaven—Solo, The Ninety and Nine, Kennetha Gurney. Solo, The Ninety and Nine, Kennetha Gurney. Solo, The Ninety and Nine, Kennetha Gurney.

METHODIST.—In the morning, sermon by the pastor, Rev. W. B. Eldridge, on the Resurrection. The choir—Lizzie Holt, soprano; Ira Griffin, alto; James Dunn, tenor; Owen P. Brooks, bass; Mrs. J. D. Cragin, organist—will give the following music:

Voluntary, Offertoire pour la Fete de Pâques. Coronation. Anthem, Glory Be to Thee, O God. Response, Glory to His Name. Anthem, Hallelujah. Anthem, Hallelujah. Anthem, Hallelujah.

CONGREGATIONAL.—In the morning, sermon by the pastor, Rev. W. B. Eldridge, on the Resurrection. The choir—Mrs. B. F. Bradbury, soprano; Mrs. Minot L. Whittle, alto; Chester W. Horne, tenor; Herman L. Horne, bass; Mrs. Herman L. Horne, organist—have the following program:

Voluntary, Offertoire pour la Fete de Pâques. Doxology, Old Hundred. Anthem, Awake, Thou Church of Jesus Christ. Anthem, Awake, Thou Church of Jesus Christ. Anthem, Awake, Thou Church of Jesus Christ.

In the evening a concert will be given with responsive readings, recitations, etc. The choir will be assisted by a chorus of twenty-five voices. The musical numbers are:

Voluntary, Offertoire in F. Anthem, Christ the Lord is Risen To-day. Anthem, Christ the Lord is Risen To-day. Anthem, Christ the Lord is Risen To-day.

Chorus—Processional, Christ the Lord is Risen To-day. Chorus—Processional, Christ the Lord is Risen To-day. Chorus—Processional, Christ the Lord is Risen To-day.

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Ira A. Sutherland of Brunswick, and of the Clothing firm of A. L. Sanborn & Co., is in town, this week.

William Pingree is sick. He has hardly been out of the house since he came home from Massachusetts, three weeks ago.

Giles O. Bailey, formerly editor and proprietor of the Portland Sunday Times, visited at A. S. Kimball's, this week.

Mrs. James Gerry went to Lynn, Mass., Wednesday, to visit her daughter, Lucella Gerry and Mrs. M. L. Megquier.

Mrs. George Merrill died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Roscoe Frost, Monday evening. Mrs. Merrill's maiden name was Adeline A. Savage, and she was born in Bridgton in 1831. She married Walter Webb of Bridgton and lived in Oisfield and Bridgton until his death. Mr. Webb was a member of Chandler's ward which served through the war of the rebellion with the 1st, 10th and 20th Maine regiments.

Afterward she married George Merrill and had since lived in Norway. Besides her husband and the daughter, who was Mrs. James Gerry, she had a son, Theodore L. Webb, a clothing dealer at Berlin, N. H.; two brothers, T. L. and H. H. Savage, and a sister, Mrs. Edward Barker, who live in Massachusetts.

Mrs. Merrill was a kind, neighborly woman, whom all liked; a faithful member of Norway Universalist church. She also belonged to Norway Grange. The funeral was held at the house, Wednesday afternoon. Words of comfort were spoken by Rev. Caroline E. Angell. Interment in Pine Grove cemetery.

Arthur C. Sargent has gone to his home in Searsport, to rest up and get better. He has been sick and needs a long vacation.

The following are the names of the members of the graduating class of '99, Norway high school:

Ethan Bertram Tabbs. Lotta Shannon. The Radiant Morning has Pines. Francis Helena Brooke Paragard. Grace May Jordan.

Emma L. Harriman. Bertha Mabelle Holmes. Grace Melville Warren. Ruth Frances Knight. Minnie Violeta Keene. Alice May Smith. Lester Wallace Horne. Fred Scott Brown. Earl Carl Tabbs. Arthur Hastings Delano.

The Roundabout Club, the ladies' whist club, gave a farewell party to Mrs. George T. Jaques, Tuesday evening. Mrs. Jaques returned to her home in Lynn, Wednesday morning. She has only been a member of the club a few months but has made herself very popular and done much for the club. She was presented with a lovely plaque by the members of the happy hour club at the several homes of the ladies. The hostess for the evening was Emma Smith, and they were pleasantly entertained at Miss Smith's residence on Main street.

Tea, ice cream and cake were served. The first prize was won by Mrs. A. S. Kimball, a toilet cushion; the second by Mrs. George T. Jaques, a doiley; the doiley by Mrs. C. F. Ridlon.

The men's circle at the Congregational church, Tuesday evening, was attended with the usual success and more than two hundred people being present. All were heartily and there was enough left over for serving a dinner to a goodly number, the next day. There was plenty of help and the waiting and serving were expeditiously done. The entertainment was a delight, too. Mrs. H. L. Horne was accompanied. There was a trio by Mrs. B. F. Bradbury, C. W. Horne and H. L. Horne; duet by Mrs. Bradbury and C. W. Horne; solo and encore by Prof. George W. Horne of Lewiston. Duet and encore by George W. Horne and H. L. Horne. We have all heard them many times and will be glad to hear them again. But the surprise and delight of the evening was the child concert, Yvonne Ashie Noyes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willard A. Noyes of Auburn. She is not quite nine years old but we have repeatedly listened to professional elocutionists with diplomas and gorging recommendations that expression, she gave two selections and responded to two encores. She speaks without apparent effort, and seems to enter right into the spirit of the selection, so that she depicts with vividness and pathos and much and makes a simple narrative wonderfully picturesque.

SOUTH PARIS. Benjamin F. Russell has the mumps. Leonard S. Sessions is laid up with the mumps.

Fred Chandler has got back to the telephone's desk in the depot. William M. Shaw has a new dining-room floor in the Anderson House.

Mrs. Lizzie Edgerly of Portland has been visiting at William Edgerly's.

Herbert G. Fletcher is repapering and generally fixing up his barber shop. George and Laura Dean of Buckfield have been visiting at Albion Taylor's.

E. N. Haskell and Hattie Haskell spent Sunday with relatives in New Gloucester. Mabel Hathaway is at home for a short vacation. She teaches in Quincy, Mass.

Walter Mitchell and family of Turner were recent guests at Albert D. Pack's.

Palm Sunday was observed at St. Catherine's Roman Catholic church. Easter was celebrated at the same place.

Special line of Oxford at W. O. & G. W. Frothingham's. See ad. Also trunks and valises.

Asaph H. Witham has got back to work at the anvil. He had been laid up several weeks.

John J. Quinlan of Rumford Falls is in jail serving a sentence for trying to jump a board bill.

Samuel Stearns is out again. He has been under the weather so that he stayed at home more than a month.

The spring convention of the Oxford County W. C. T. U. will meet at this place, the first week in May.

Carroll Edwards lost the end of his right thumb on the day-labor saw at L. S. Billings' mill, Monday.

Rev. T. J. Ramsdell went to Bryant's Pond, Wednesday, to attend the funeral of Mrs. Mehitabel Hathaway.

Herbert G. Fletcher has bought Stephen E. Kimball's stand on Gothic street and will make his home there.

Mrs. Cora S. Briggs' music pupils of the first, second and third grades are to form a progressive musical club.

The hook and ladder company and the four hose companies will hold their annual meetings, Saturday evening.

The high school scholars are planning a big sociable for Friday evening of next week. The base ball association gets it up.

Charles H. Flagg has moved from the Howe store building on Western avenue to Willis Austin's on the Hooper farm, where Mr. Flagg is at work.

James Cummings was released from jail, Wednesday. He was sent over from Rumford Falls for vagrancy and served his sentence. He didn't like confinement.

The class parts of South Paris high school class of '99 will be: Salutatory, Dora M. Stevens. History, F. Wendell. Roman History, Oration, A. Keith Spofford. Prophecy, Olive G. Sweet. Voluntary, Lucella E. Crockett.

About twenty members of the Rebekah Lodge at Buckfield visited Mt. Pleasant Lodge, Friday evening. They were given a supper at 6.30 and a lunch after the lodge adjourned. They started for home about midnight.

A. F. Barrows & Son, blacksmiths, have dissolved partnership. A. F. Barrows will continue the business at the old stand on Main street. Frank E. Barrows has leased the shop, the corner of Pleasant and Skillings avenue and will run it for himself.

F. A. Shurtleff & Co. have an Easter window filled with chicks and eggs and miscellaneous manufactured poultry. "Isn't that too cunning for anything?" we heard a lady ask as she stopped to look at the display of street and feather-fowls which the hand of man made for Easter.

John P. Penley has seen a woodchuck, this spring. As Mr. Penley is a reliable citizen and not subject to seeing snakes and varmints, we are constrained to believe that it was the woodchuck that made the mistake. Henry Gary reports hearing a big flock of wild geese and they were flying northward. Last Sunday morning, the memory in this village recorded 2 below 0. Spring is coming.

Leslie A. Walker died, Thursday night of last week, from quick consumption. He had clerked in the hardware store of his brother-in-law, J. P. Richardson, for about two years. He was a pleasant young man and had made many friends here. He formerly followed the sea and had served a term of enlistment in the U. S. Navy. He was a member of the A. O. U. W. lodge at Waterville. The funeral was at Mr. Richardson's, Saturday afternoon, attended by Rev. Caroline E. Angell of Norway. His sister, Charles B. Walker of Waterville, had been here for two weeks. His sister, Mrs. William Culbert, and husband of Madison came to the funeral.

WHITTEMORE DISTRICT.—Will Cole, who has been sick since last October, is better.

Lottie Mills of Albany is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Evelyn Morey.

Hattie and Katherine Royal have been quite sick with vaccination.

Melvin Morey has returned from Albany, where he has been teaming.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Abbott of South Paris were at her father's, last Monday.

Mrs. Gertrude Waterhouse has gone to Hanover, where Mr. Waterhouse is at work.

THE FOUR PRESIDENTS.

By W. L. ALDEN.

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"When the coffee was brought in and we were all as sociable as if none of us had ever heard of politics, I got up and said: 'Gentlemen, I have asked you to meet together in order to settle your differences and enable me to find out which president my government ought to recognize. You can't help seeing that this country is too small to furnish a decent living for four presidents. You'll have to go on fighting till there's only one of you left, and it's a mere matter of chance which one that will be. You are playing a game in which you stake your lives against the presidency, and though I can't say what you value your lives at, it's my opinion that the stakes are far too high.'

"Now, I propose that you settle this business by a friendly game of cards. I don't know your Spanish games, but you can easily choose some game in which each man that is beaten goes out and leaves the others to play. The man who finally wins is to take the presidency, and the others are to agree to support him for, say, two years, at the end of which they shall be at liberty to start a revolution if they feel so disposed. You will arrive at the same sort of result by playing a game of cards that you will by fighting and raising Cain for the next year or two, and the men who lose will only lose their expectations of being president, instead of losing both their expectations and their lives. Now, gentlemen, here are the cards. Will you take my advice and settle your difference like Christians or will you fight like barbarians?"

"The presidents listened to my speech in a very respectful way, and when it was ended old Almonte, who, as I afterward learned, was the biggest card sharp in Torrizonia, said that he cordially agreed with all his excellency the United States minister had said and that he was quite ready to play the other three gentlemen for the presidency. The other three didn't seem very anxious to play, but first one of them and then another said that while he had perfect confidence in the justice of his claim he would adopt my proposal, feeling certain that the Blessed Virgin would see him through all right. The upshot was that they all sat down to some unceremonious Spanish-American sort of game that I never pretended to understand and presently they were playing as quietly as you and I would play if we had a little game of draw on hand with unlimited stakes and a straight flush barred.

"I sat at the end of the table smoking a cigar and saying to myself that I was a born diplomat and had made a splendid beginning as minister to Torrizonia. Say what you will of the presidents, they were gentlemen so far as their manners went, and nobody could have been more polite than they were to one another. By and by old Almonte smiled sweetly to Garcia and remarked that, inasmuch as Garcia had revoked or done something equivalent to revoking, he was beaten and must consider himself out of the game.

"I never in all my life saw a man pull his gun quicker than Garcia pulled his, but, quick as he was, he had got in only one shot when all the other three presidents were on their feet and blazing away promiscuously at one another. Naturally I dropped under the table, for it would have been contrary to diplomatic etiquette for me to take a hand in the shooting. All the same I hated to be out of it, for it was one of the liveliest difficulties I ever struck. It didn't last over four or five minutes, and by the end of that time all four of the six shooters were empty, and all four presidents were lying on the floor. Then I got up and called the landlord, and after we had found that nobody was killed—though every man had from two to five bullets in him—I called up the marines, and they carried the presidents to the hospital in a sort of procession.

"My little plan for settling the presidential dispute hadn't panned out quite as I expected, but it wasn't my fault. I saw Dr. Moreno after he had examined the wounded men, and he told me that they would all recover, though they would probably have to remain in the hospital for several weeks. He said that the government would be carried on in the name of President Almonte, the chap who had occupied the presidential mansion, until such time as all the four claimants were discharged from the hospital.

"I shall take the best of care of them and maintain a perfect neutrality," said the doctor, "and I shall recommend you to do the same hereafter. You've tried to arrange things without bloodshed, and you've failed, and now your best plan is to let those four fellows fight their quarrel out according to the laws and customs of Torrizonia."

"The four presidents lay in the hospital exactly six weeks. None of them was severely wounded, and they might all have been discharged after ten days or a fortnight, but the doctor said that a man should stir until his wound had entirely healed. I went to see the presidents every day and got to be quite friendly with the whole gang of them. I found out by their own confessions that each man was bribing the doctor to keep the others in the hospital. You see that if one of the presidents could have got out of the hospital a day or two in advance of the others he would have had a free field and could have seized the presidency without any opposition.

"According to their account, those four men must have paid the doctor an average of \$1,000 each in bribes, and each one thought that he was getting his money's worth and stealing a march on his rivals. The doctor, being a practical man, took all the money that was offered him and earned it honestly by keeping the men in the hospital. Whenever one of the presidents complained that he was being kept in longer than was necessary the doctor would tell him that there were certain complica-

tions in his case that made it necessary for him to remain in bed a short time longer, but at the same time he promised that under no circumstances would he allow any one of his rivals to leave the hospital in advance of him.

"Being Spanish-American, with a native talent for lying in bed, and feeling sure that the doctor would keep his word about not letting any of the other president was adding well satisfied with the way things shaped themselves. They were all so sure of the presidency that they constantly bothered me to recognize them then and there, but I always put them off by saying that I had written home for instructions and felt sure that my government would direct me to recognize the best man. Every one of the four told me confidently that he was to be discharged three days before any of the others and that he expected to seize the presidency and shoot his rivals the moment they came out of the hospital.

"About six weeks after my dinner party I was waked up one morning by the sound of rifles. I heard what was clearly a volley fired somewhere near the hotel, followed by three or four single shots. Then I heard the noise of heavy wooden shutters being closed in a hurry, and I knew that a revolution or a riot had broken out. I got up and dressed and was going out to see what was to be seen, but I found the front door locked and barred and was obliged to hunt up the landlord and ask him for information. He hadn't much to tell me, except that there had been a revolution and that Dr. Moreno had installed himself in the presidential mansion and had placarded the town with proclamations saying that he had resolved to put an end to the era of revolutions in Torrizonia and to give the people peace and security.

"The landlord said that the revolution had opened at precisely 11 o'clock in the evening and that there had been no resistance to Moreno, who had already received the submission of all the troops belonging to the four presidents. I was a little astonished to hear the news, for the doctor was the last man in Torrizonia whom I would have suspected of taking part in politics. However, he was a very popular man, and I was, on the whole, glad to remember that he had all his rivals safe in the hospital and could threaten them with amputation of the legs if they didn't submit to him and withdraw their claims to the presidency.

"Have you heard," said I to the landlord, "whether the new president has made any arrangements with the presidents in the hospital?"

"Certainly he has," said the landlord. "Didn't you hear the rifle shots a little while ago?"

"Of course I did," said I, "but what had that to do with the four presidents?"

"Only this," replied the landlord. "President Moreno discharged them from the hospital at 7 o'clock this morning, stood them up against the front wall and had them shot five minutes after they were discharged. You can trust the good doctor to make a clean job of anything he undertakes. He is a great man, and he will make the best president we have ever had."

"I called on President Moreno that morning and congratulated him. He was far and away the cleverest man I ever met in Central America, and he held on to his office for nearly eight years before he was assassinated by the general in chief of the army. I was sorry when he was killed, for I like a man who understands practical politics, and while I don't deny that he must have disappointed the four presidents considerably, he did what was the only thing for a practical politician to do."

THE END.

Dancing and Smoking in Burma.

In one village where we staid the chief man arranged a dance in our honor. Neither he nor we danced. That would have robbed us and him of dignity. He paid somebody else to dance instead. A troop of village girls, with flowers stuck in their prettiest pieces of hair and wearing their prettiest pieces of silk that served as frocks, threw themselves into all kinds of graceful and other postures. What little skirt there was was tight fitting and hampering in movement. Yet the girls had a freer swing of the body than nautch girls, and all the while they were twisting themselves into fantastic attitudes they were working their elbows and hands and fingers twitchingly. The most skillful dancer was the girl who could stand statue-like, with face unmoved, while her bosom rose and fell in panting excitement.

Then some of the youths danced. First of all they were seated, and after lowering their heads as obeisance to us they commenced a song. Suddenly jumping to their feet and drawing handkerchiefs from their waists, they began pirouetting in the most demure fashion. While the women were stately in their gyrations, moving languidly, the men thought the chief merit was to work themselves to a pitch of frenzy by throwing their legs about in a reckless manner. During the dancing everybody was smoking. Men, women and children. There were little rascals who had to hold on with both hands while they sucked at a cheroot a foot long.—Travel.

A Family Greatly Blessed.

Many years ago, when oneness of interest characterized the relations between employers and house servants, the cook at the Virginia house, a negro named George. Master of his craft, George was stately and even pompous in manner and speech and an incident which illustrates his character has a place in the family records. A family festival in honor of an anniversary had filled the Harrison house with guests for several days and tested the abundant larder to what seemed to be its utmost possibilities. On the very day that saw the departure of the company a communication was received by Mrs. Harrison, informing her that the presidential party forming her expected on the morrow. She might be expected to and imparted the summoned George and imparted the startling news. He met it like an ebony

Gibraltar. "Very well, madam, your orders shall be obeyed."

"But, George, can we be ready for them? There will be about 30 persons, including the president of the United States and his cabinet."

Gibraltar relaxed measurably. The lady's apprehensions appealed to his chivalric heart. It was his duty to allay them.

"Very true, madam. But we must bear in mind that we are greatly blessed in our own cook."

It is unnecessary to add that George nobly sustained the sublime vantage. Marion Harland in "Some Colonial Homesteads."

The Camel.

Before starting on a journey across the desert the Egyptians take care that the humps of their camels are in good condition. This is the camel's reserve supply of fat, which helps to sustain the animal if in case of emergency it is temporarily debarrd from food. The camel can stow about 1½ gallons of water in its capacious stomach, and it is satisfied if it can replenish this every third day. Between these intervals it will carry a load of about 400 pounds a distance of 80 or 90 miles.

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How many weak, tired, over-worked, worn out and run down men and women stand still with you because you are sick, out of health, exhausted in nerve force and physical strength. Why do you not consult an eminent specialist about your case, a famous physician who makes a specialty of nervous chronic and lingering complaints, and because he has made the treatment of cases like yours his life work, is sure to cure you? The most successful specialist in the world in curing such diseases, Dr. Greene of 24 Temple Place, Boston, Mass., can be consulted absolutely free of charge in regard to any case, whether you call or write to him about your complaint. If you cannot call, write to him at once, and out of his vast experience he will give you advice and counsel as to exactly what ails you, and what you should do to be cured. He uses in his enormous practice among the sick, only harmless vegetable remedies, which always act in harmony with the laws of life and therefore always cure. One of his grand medical discoveries, Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy, is known and used in every part of the civilized earth, and he has discovered and prepared equally marvelous curative remedies for all diseases. It costs nothing to get his advice and learn just what your disease is, and if you will follow his wise counsel, the wheels of life will again revolve with their old time health and happiness.

New Game Laws.

The State fish and game commission has prepared a statement calling attention to all of the important changes made in the inland fish and game laws by the legislature. This statement follows: All of the laws are now contained in chapter 42 of the Public Laws of 1899, relating to fish and game and birds, so that there are no private and special laws or rules and regulations of the commissioners. The legislature ordered 10,000 copies printed for general distribution, which will be done, probably prior to the time the law goes into effect, Apr. 18th. The close time for landlocked salmon, trout, togue and white perch is as follows: For landlocked salmon, trout and togue, from the first day of October until the ice is out of the ponds, the following spring, except on the St. Croix river and its tributaries and the waters in Kennebec county, on which the close time is from Sept. 15 until the ice is out, but in Oxford and Franklin counties the close time was not changed. The close time on white perch is from April 1 to July 1. Ice fishing is prohibited in Oxford, Franklin, Somerset and Kennebec counties. The tributaries to all lakes and ponds in these counties are closed. A person may transport 10 pounds of these fish without accompanying them, on payment to the State of \$1. The commissioners may grant permission to take eels, suckers, cusk, pickerel and white fish in closed waters. No change was made in relation to game birds, except that the open season on partridge and woodcock commences, Sept. 15, and a person may send a pair of these birds without accompanying them, on payment of 50 cents. The close time on muskrats is from the 1st day of May to the 15th day of October. The bounty on bears and wildcats is repealed. The term "calf moose" shall be construed to mean that they are calves until they are at least one year old, and have two prongs or tines on their horns. A close time is placed on caribou for six years. During September, one deer may be taken for food purposes only, to be consumed by the person taking them in the locality where taken, on payment of \$3 by a non-resident, and \$4 by a resident in the counties of Oxford, Franklin, Somerset, Piscataquis, Penobscot, Aroostook, Hancock and Washington, but non-residents must be accompanied by a reg-

istered guide and also when they enter upon the wild lands of the State at any time with intent to camp and kindle fires thereon while engaged in hunting or fishing.

Moose and deer may be transported without the owner's accompaning it, on payment to the state of \$5 for a moose and \$2 for a deer, properly tagged.

Marksmen and provision dealers may be licensed to retail deer lawfully killed, on payment of fee of \$5 in cities and towns of over 3,000 inhabitants, and \$3 in all other places, or on payment of 50 cents for each deer retailed.

Suitable persons may be licensed to buy and sell and tan deer skins lawfully taken, the fee for which shall be \$5. Non-residents registered as guides must pay a fee of \$20. Tern is protected and a close time placed on deer on the Isle au Haut for six years.

WEST STONEHAM.

Allie McKeen is in very poor health. Mrs. Wm. Gammon has a flock of chickens.

Fred McKeen visited relatives in Bridgton, the past week. B. H. McAllister visited his daughter, Georgie McAllister, last week.

Dana McAllister recently sold a horse and a yoke of steers to John Severance of Lovell.

Mrs. Kate Adams is at home from Fryburg where she has been at work, this winter.

Ina Gammon has gone to Waterville to attend school at the seminary. Charlie Adams is also attending school there.

Genie and Ella Hutchins from Beal and Ella Massey of Lovell Center visited their friend, Ina Gammon, recently. Eddie Hutchins came with his sister.

A large attendance and a good time at the circle at North Lovell, Saturday night, the 11. The circle met, the 25th, and was entertained by Mrs. Wm. Gammon and Mrs. Lewis McAllister.

The Spring Months.

Are most likely to find your blood impure and lacking in the red corpuscles which enable it to carry nourishment to the nerves and other organs. Therefore, you feel weak, tired and listless and are troubled with spring humors. Relief is given by Hood's Sarsaparilla which purifies, enriches and vitalizes the blood.

Hood's Pills cure biliousness. Mailed for 25 cents by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

A man by the name of John Keenan, who went to Gorham, N. H., from Hastings, the 17th, was discovered early Saturday morning lying in the snow near the Glen street crossing. Upon being cared for his hands were found to be badly frozen, and it was at first reported that he would have to lose both of them, but it was later found that the amputation of all the fingers of the left hand and the third and little fingers of the right hand was all that was necessary.

EAST OXFORD.

Will H. Mortley, Adna B. Thayer and Geo. H. McKeen are at East Cambridge, Mass.

Clarence Flood, Agnes Fuller and Beatrice Caldwell are at home from Hebron Academy for a short vacation.

Mrs. R. T. Perkins of Philadelphia, who has been visiting her cousin, Ethel Billings, left on Monday for Oregon.

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One second hand Ivers and Pond piano in first-class condition, for \$150. One second hand Behr Bros. piano, mahogany case, nearly new, \$200. One second hand New York piano, almost new, at less than cost, \$175. I have several other pianos and organs which have been used but little, on which I shall make very low prices.

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April 2—Easter Sunday.
April 6—Hatch & S. Linn concert, Robinson Hall, Oxford.
April 4—Fonoma Grange, South Paris.
April 6—Ladies' Musical, Norway Opera House.
April 10—Norway village corporation annual house.
April 12—Maine Methodist Conference, Farmington.
May 2—Supreme Court, South Paris.
May 30—Memorial day.
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Different Ways.

You go upon the Board of Trade, Where margin merchants trade, And take some little options On January wheat.
You watch the little ticker, Till the hands swing round the ring, Then you find your little boodle, Has gone a-plumming—
That's business.
You go to a faro bank And buy a stack of chips, And watch the cards come from the box— When the dealer deals the tips.
When your hand is dull and aching, At the breaking of the day, And you see that little fortune Has gone the other way—
That's gambling.

S. H. Harriman of North Chatham wants a competent engineer. See ad. elsewhere.

Moving machines and cream separators for sale by W. K. Hamlin, South Waterford, Me. See ad.

A patent has been granted William C. Day of Rumford Falls on a combined drafting and measuring tool.

T. H. Ricker & Sons, Harrison, offer for sale their celebrated wood working and sawing machinery. See ad. and write them. They have pulleys and shafting for saw mill machinery.

It is thought the wreck of the steamer Portland has been located about 22½ miles from Boston Light, under fifty fathoms of water. Some of the steamer's furnishings have been brought up by fishermen.

PARIS HILL.
Miss Heald of North Buckfield is visiting Mrs. O. A. Thayer.

Mrs. E. H. Jackson leaves, Saturday of this week, to spend Easter with friends in Portland.

All interested in Paris Hill Water Co. are requested to meet at the Academy, Friday evening.

Jennie Hubbard went to Boston, Monday, to spend a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. C. Hallett.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Parlin visited their daughter, Mrs. Small, and other relatives in Sumner, Monday and Tuesday of this week.

Mrs. E. H. Jackson entertained her Sunday school class of little boys at the Hubbard House from seven to nine, Tuesday evening.

The Baptist circle, Tuesday evening, was a very pleasant affair. The usual good supper was served a little after six, followed by a fine entertainment. Prof. Morse was not able to be present and Mr. Starbird took his place and rendered some of his best selections. The musical part of the program was very fine. Mrs. Kimball was especially well liked, her rendering of "A Creole Love Song" was the best thing on the program.

HEBRON.
A. M. Richardson was home from Portland, last Sunday.

Eva May Barrows of Chelsea, Mass., has been spending the week in town.

Harry A. Barrows is at I. P. Bearce's and will spend the summer in Hebron.

Quite a number of students remain in town during the short vacation of the Academy.

Daisy Cushman has gone to Auburn to spend a few weeks at her brother's, H. M. Cushman's.

The Hebron Grange presented the drama, "Under the Laurels," at their hall, Tuesday evening. It was well patronized and after the play an oyster supper and sociable was enjoyed by all.

The Hebron Academy annual prize speaking occurred at the Baptist church, Friday, March 24th. The following was the program:

Vocal solo.....Miss Lillian E. Phillips
Biology on Wendell Phillips.....Doyle, S. Dak., writes.
Napoleon at the Pyramids.....Prudence M. Richardson, Rangleon
Storming the Castle.....Krustie L. Boydjett, Sophia, Bulgaria
The Painter of Seville.....Hazel Donham, Hebron
Death-bed of Benedict Arnold.....Leon M. Small, Dickvale
The Governor's Championship.....Marion E. Foss, Portland
Mandolin solo.....Mr. Huot
The Gibeon's Bloody Glen.....Mr. Huot
The Confession.....George E. Ramsdell, Turner
Hand-car 412.....Charles N. Flood (2d prize), Oxford
How the La Rue Stakes were Lost.....Mildred E. Stanton, Mechanic Falls
The American War.....A. Davenport Cox (1st prize), Somerville, Mass.
The Martyrdom of Lydia.....Nellie M. Hayes (2d prize), Oxford
Music.....

SOUTH ALBANY.

Winifred Browne returned to her home in Bethel, last Sunday.

Victor Mason was quite ill recently but is better at present.

Elliot Kimball and wife recently visited her father, Charles Eames.

Mrs. Henry Sawin has been quite sick with throat trouble for a few days.

L. A. Sawin and son Holden went to W. M. Browne's on Grover Hill, last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Murdock of Norway visited at Merritt Sawin's, last Sunday.

McIntire & Wardwell were through here, last week, buying cows. They bought two of J. F. Lord.

George Abbott has a new dog of the St. Bernard breed, a very large, handsome, intelligent looking fellow.

We understand that Mrs. Henry Chaplin of Sandy Creek, near May, Abbott, to this place has been seriously ill but at present is hoped to be on the road to recovery.

CASCO.

Natie Decker was in this place on the 26th.

Will Colby and family called at G. W. Burgess' on Sunday.

We have been blessed with plenty of snow, the past week.

The West Poland praying band had a meeting at Edes' Falls on the 26th.

Frank O. Wilson of Raymond called on his friend, E. A. Barton, on the 24th.

Freeland Edwards is visiting at his grandmother's, Mrs. Cyrus Strout's, on Mayberry Hill.

Cynthia Jordan of Mayberry Hill was through this place canvassing for room paper on the 17th.

J. P. Wright of East Otisfield had the opportunity on Monday, March 27, to visit David McLellan and examine his stock of fine cows which are in fine order and look nice for a country farmer. He has a separator and makes his own butter. He seems to be in a fair way to make money and everything looks nice around him.

ALBANY.

Mr. and Mrs. Paine were called to Milton to attend the funeral of her brother.

Herbert Bean has rented the Cole farm, also bought a pair of horses and hired a man.

Albion Cummings goes to Lynn, Mass., to work, this season, for his aunt, Mrs. Cole.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Bean spent Tuesday at Waterford with Rev. T. Perry and family.

Sherman Trickey from Jackson, N. H., is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Bird.

Mrs. Lizzie Lovering from Oxford recently spent a few days' with her aunt, Mrs. H. C. Wilbur, and other relatives.

A. R. Clark and M. R. Wilbur have purchased the Bolster's mills with machinery to saw both short and long lumber.

Alden Andrews and wife from New Hampshire recently visited his brothers, Edgar and Abel Andrews, and other friends.

EAST SUMNER.

S. A. Oldham has hired to F. L. Warren for the season.

Rev. A. G. Murray attended the Oxford Baptist Quarterly meeting at Mechanic Falls, the 24th and 25th.

The selection will soon be ready to receive bids on two new schoolhouses, which are to be completed on or before Sept. 1, 1899, one at the Morrill Corner and one at West Sumner.

The Minot Packing Co. will build an addition to their factory here of 25 ft., this spring, also they will otherwise improve the plant. They desire to increase the capacity from 30,000 to 50,000 cans per day. M. R. Foggy is their foreman the same as last year.

NEWRY.

Ladies' sewing circle will meet at Mrs. Isaac Kilgore's, Thursday afternoon and evening, at North Newry. All are invited.

Sledding has not broken up yet. The loggers are through with their contracts and as soon as the ice breaks up the lumber will be carried down the big Androscoggin to the mills below.

Quite a party of young people gathered at the home of Randall Cummings in Bethel, Saturday evening of last week. Seven of his children living away and other relatives at South Bethel were there, also Walter C. Morrell of Norway. A very pleasant time was recorded.

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Mrs. FLORA COOPER, of Doyle, S. Dak., writes:

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I had not finished the first bottle before I felt better. I took four bottles, and have been strong and perfectly healthy ever since, and now have two of the nicest little girls."

EAST OTISFIELD.

Ernest Peaceo is at work for A. E. Brown.

Mrs. Bertha Edgecomb is gaining slowly.

Mrs. Carrie Wood went to Casco, last Tuesday.

John H. Haselton from Norway was in town, Sunday.

S. H. Wardwell went to Brighton, Monday, with cattle.

Mrs. Frank Moors from Oaks is visiting friends in this place.

Hasel, little daughter of Fred Stone, has been very sick with croup.

Lena Corson from Athens is visiting her sister, Mrs. Maurice C. Kemp.

James McColley, who has been living on the Irving Keen place, has moved to Lewiston.

Henry E. Jilison, wife and daughter Ethel spent last Sunday with his father, M. V. B. Jilison.

Josephine Gerlish has returned from New Hampshire where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Lizzie Fagan.

NORTH LOVELL.

Orville McAllister of Lewiston is in town.

Willis McAllister is hauling lumber to Ira Heald's mill.

Mrs. Will Farrington has a very handsome new organ.

J. H. Fox and Bert Brackett went to Norway, Saturday, returning Sunday.

Mrs. John Kimball is suffering from what is feared will prove an abscess in her side.

Mrs. Wm. Gammon entertained the circle, Saturday evening. A good time is reported.

Myra Pearl McAllister went to Waterford, Saturday, to attend school at Douglass Seminary.

A. I. Hatch was home from Norway over Sunday last. His father, J. D. Hatch, returned with him.

Mrs. Nathaniel Palmer is still sick at the home of her son, G. A. Kimball, although she is better at present writing.

Our item, last week, should have read C. G. Andrews of South Paris attended service here Sunday instead of H. W. Palmer. Mr. P. wasn't there at all.

Mrs. Benjamin Palmer, who is nearly eighty years old, has drawn ten or eleven rugs, including a few centers for the braided ones, and the fever seems to be contagious. Mrs. M. F. McAllister, Mrs. G. P. McAllister, Mrs. Nello Andrews and Mrs. H. W. Palmer have each made from two to four.

NORTH PARIS.

J. Blanche Chase goes to Portland, this week.

Lin Bartlett of Bethel was in the place, Monday.

Eddie Townsend of South Paris was in the place, Sunday.

Myrtle Wentworth is attending school at Paris Hill Academy.

Oscar Kimball and wife visited at South Woodstock, Sunday.

Clifton Dunham and Miss Dugan have returned to Brattleboro, Vt.

Mrs. Mary Grey is very ill with the grip at Mrs. Sarah Starbird's.

Hattie Chase has finished work at South Paris and returned home.

The David Young stand has been sold to Simeon Webber of West Paris.

D. S. Hammond and C. F. Silver came home from Dickvale and spent the Sabbath.

An Easter concert will be given at the Methodist church, Sunday evening, April 9.

Mrs. Charles Ross and Iver Lowe who have been sick with the grip are improving.

Edith and Nina Bradford have returned to Paris Hill to attend school. Miss Edith will graduate in June.

News reached here, Saturday, of the death of Mrs. Phineas Warner of Hartford, Conn., formerly a resident of this place. Mrs. W. was sister to Cyrtian and Abner Benson of this place.

BRYANT'S POND.

G. N. Felt is still about the same, showing but little, if any improvement.

Abel Bacon is pretty sick with the grippe. Mrs. Abel Bacon, Myrtle Bacon and Ralph Bacon are all confined to the house with severe colds.

Mrs. Mehitabel P. Hathaway died, Sunday night, at the residence of her son, J. E. Hathaway. Funeral services at Bryant's Pond on Wednesday at 1 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Mr. Ramsdell of South Paris.

SWEDEN.

Snow about four feet on the level in this section.

Emma Jacobs visited at Mrs. Lottie E. Smith's, last week.

Walter E. Gordon bought quite a flock of sheep, a short time ago.

Walter E. Gordon has recently bought a nice White Chester male hog.

Mrs. Edgar Tower presented her husband with a nice boy baby, one day, last week.

Mrs. Katie Draper has drawn four nice large rugs and braided two extra large ones, this winter. Next.

Mrs. Waldron Charles, who has been stopping for some time with her sick son and daughter in Massachusetts, has returned to her home in Sweden.

Your correspondent called and spent one afternoon, last week, at Cyrus Chapman's Lovell. He heard some very nice singing and music from the organ by Carrie Chapman, aged nine years. We also conversed for some time with Mr. Chapman's mother, aged about 80 years. We found her a very smart and intelligent old lady, ready to talk on any current topic of the day. Mr. Chapman's wife was braiding a very nice rug. She also has made some of the most tasty rugs of the kind that we ever saw.

Mrs. Roy Lord is among the sick.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Perry are victims of the grip.

A. H. Whitehouse is just recovering from an attack of the grip.

Mrs. M. E. Perry is just able to be out from an attack of the grip.

Mrs. Eva Bennett has been very sick, but we learn she is slowly recovering.

F. Wiggan of Harrison continues to make weekly trips to this town. He is getting a large trade.

By subscription and entertainment the people are obtaining funds to purchase a new flag for the town house.

Joe Nolette who has been working for M. E. Perry, the past year in the woods, is taking an outing on Norway.

Mae King, Abbie and Mae Woodbury are spending their vacations at their homes from Fryeburg Academy.

L. S. Plummer is hauling his bark to the railroad at North Brighton. It goes to the Casco Tanning Co., Portland.

No service at the M. E. Church, Sunday, March 26, in consequence of the sickness of the pastor, Rev. Geo. Barber.

Gladys Kimball, after spending a three weeks' visit with her grandparents, returned home with her father and mother, Thursday.

The entertainment which was to have been given at the Sweden hall, by the South Waterford Dramatic Club and Prof. Morse of South Paris, is deferred until Friday evening, March 31st, on account of the storm.

M. E. Perry has completed his contract with the Bridgton Lumber Company, in clearing the tract from the the Haggard lot, and hauling it to Stearns pond, where it is soon to be boomed for the drive.

The Y. P. Circle met at town hall, Wednesday evening, March 15th. Dame Rumor says that a big crowd was out from in and out of town. A long program was presented, in which all of the parts were well rendered, and at a late hour all returned to their homes through the fast falling snow.

Mrs. Sabra Locklin died at her home in Fryeburg, Center of pneumonia, Sunday, Mar. 26, aged 66 years. Her remains were brought to Sweden, her early home, Tuesday, March 27th, where the obsequies were conducted by the Rev. Geo. Barber of Brighton, at 1 p. m. She leaves three sons, Charles, Will and Arthur; three daughters, the Mrs. Lewis and Thomas Ridlon and Mrs. Ed. McIntire, all of Fryeburg; three brothers, William, Stephen and Thomas Ridlon, besides other relatives. All were at the services excepting her brother, William who is in feeble health. Since the sudden death of her husband, Robert Locklin, she has been in declining health; also the sad death of her oldest son, Albert, just before her own was more than she could bear in her feeble health. Mrs. Locklin was a woman much respected in this town by her old neighbors and friends.

BUCKFIELD.

Mrs. Allen Ken is said to be improving.

A Mr. Hodgdon has been hired on the town hall.

A dance in the regular course occurred at Nezinson Hall, Friday evening.

Geo. H. Hersey and wife have gone to New York on a visit to friends of that place.

H. Irish and wife are in Boston, called there by the serious sickness of Miss Mason, daughter of the late Prof. Luther Mason and a sister of Mrs. Irish.

Dr. A. E. Cole lost his Beagle hound by being run over by the train. A. W. Libby's dog, a brother of the above mentioned dog, sought forgetfulness in the same way on the following day.

The members of the Rebekah Lodge visited the lodge at South Paris, Friday night. On their return some were wrecked in the bad lands, causing the more fortunate to double up their passengers, and a return the next day to gather up the wreckage.

Perusing a poem addressed to the cuckoo brings to mind an incident which occurred to a small farmer, who was better versed in the labors of Uncle Sam than of farming. A farmer from the big lands drove into the village and our amateur farmer approached him, (counting him an oracle in all that pertains to farming) and makes inquiry about the weather; as he had hay to cut and was anxious about the weather. The farmer with all confidence in his prognostications said it was going to be fair, the cuckoo is on the high lands, this morning, there will be no rain. The man was satisfied, hired men and severed his grass, and on the morrow it rained; and it continued to rain for days. Our amateur is quite often reminded of the incident, but he has lost faith in cuckoos, and our highland farmer is not pleased to have the matter referred to in his presence.

ANDOVER.

J. A. French has finished logging. W. Z. Twitchell has returned home. Bert Hutchins is very sick at this writing.

N. G. Pratt of Lisbon Falls has been visiting his mother, Mary Pratt. Joel Morton has gone to Hanover to work for Gardner Roberts, for the summer.

The ladies' fair was held in the town hall, Wednesday afternoon and evening, March 29.

The Universalist Circle was entertained at the town hall, Tuesday evening, March 28. "Picnic Supper."

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LOVELL.

Warren Charles is not as well. Arthur Stanford is home from Bridgton. Walter Eastman is working for Cyrus Andrews. William Stanford is working for Benj. Russell, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen C. Eastman are visiting friends and relatives in Fryeburg. Ernest Hatch and Frank Keston are working for Ruel Kneeland in Bridgton. Alice Stearns and Mollie H. Pottle are home on a vacation from Fryeburg, where they have been going to school.

C. D. Chandler has gone to Boston. W. D. Irish is at Stow at work in a mill.

C. H. Davis was in Steep Falls, a few days last week.

C. P. Hubbard, M. D., was in Portland, last week. Lester Briggs of Sweden will work in the mill, this spring.

One of Dell Stearns' horses out his leg badly, last week.

Leroy Poore has done a job of painting for H. D. Walker.

Arthur Davis has been painting and papering for A. Heald.

D. H. Wiley, our stage driver, has been quite sick, this winter. Dean McDaniels drives the stage. Mr. Wiley has driven most of the time since 1880 and is one of the best drivers in the State.

SUNDAY RIVER.

Dennis Kilgore visited at C. B. Foster's, last Sunday.

Julian Stowe recently trapped a large racoon in his barn.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Trask of Roxbury are at C. D. Atherton's.

Will Powers has returned from Magalloway, where he was snowbound for several days.

H. M. Kendall and family are home from Mason, where they have been the past winter.

Wm. Williamson was called to Conway, N. H., last Saturday, on account of his wife's sickness.

Loren Trask came from Gilead, Saturday, to attend a meeting of the superintending school committee.

C. B. Foster of Everett, Mass., spent Sunday with his mother but was obliged by pressure of business to return home, Monday.

A Word

FOR GOOD SHEARS.

I have seen good shears, also bad, at prices running from five cents to one dollar. The cheap ones may have been good enough to pry out tacks or draw corks, but worthless for cutting.

Good scissors or shears are comforts. I know, I have to use them every day. Mine cost from three to six dollars a pair. I can buy them for half of that, but it does not pay to have anything but the best. So it is in the house—the best are cheapest.

Suppose you pay twenty or twenty-five cents for a pair, they wear perhaps a month or possibly six, constant use, then are worn out. Then try a pair costing seventy-five cents and see if you can wear them out in two years. I sell the best and absolutely warrant them against everything. Try one pair and you will use nothing else.

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MILTON.

The singing school at Byron is now well under way with 23 scholars. Schools on Monday and Tuesday evenings of this week. We hear they will have a concert there for the purchase of an organ for the schoolhouse.

The concert by the singing school and other talent given at the schoolhouse, last week, proved a success in point of ability and excellence far beyond our expectations. Miss Whitman's concert is of a high order of merit consisting of excellent selections of music, solos, duets, trios, quartets and comic selections, with readings and recitations interspersed. Besides the school, Miss Whitman was ably assisted by Mr. Sessions of South Paris, tenor soloist; Eva Whitman of South Woodstock and Mrs. Bartlett of Rumford, soprano; and also a very interesting feature of the entertainment was the elocutionary exercises by Miss Richardson in her inimitable rendering of "Bobby Shaftoe." Miss Buck recited "Sable Draped Banners," and was applauded. Nellie Perkins gave a very nice rendering of "How Jane Conquest rang the Bell." E. M. Perkins gave a realistic presentation of "The Mad Man or Raving Maniac," while Baby Retha received a storm of applause and was encored for the way she recited and sang. Baby Retha is only 4 years old and this was her first appearance on the stage. Should Miss Whitman repeat her concert here or at Bryant's Pond, we predict for her a large and appreciative audience. Miss Whitman says it is quite evident that Rumford Corner is not an ideal place for musical entertainments although Mrs. Bartlett gave valuable assistance. The concert was given at Rumford Corner by invitation, with the assurance of a full house, but the fulness failed to materialize except in the price charged for an empty hall.

WATERFORD.

Susan Wilkins is home for two weeks. Lottie Stone returned to Boston, this week.

Bertha F. Rice is at home for a short vacation.

Harriet Knight has gone to the hotel to board.

Will Abbott, who has been sick, is on deck again.

F. M. Atherton sold his horse "Tom" to a man from Lewiston, a few days ago.

Jennie Burnham, who has been sick, this winter, caring for the sick, will resume her old place in the schools of Groveton, N. H.

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Benjamin Wade is quite sick with bronchitis.

Well Greely is at home on a visit from Conway Center.

Corra Giles is home on a vacation from Gorham Normal School.

Mrs. Addie McDonald of Gray and Effie Allard of Conway have been visiting at Chas. Spring's.

The ladies' sewing circle met at Mrs. Albert Hill's, Wednesday afternoon and evening. A picnic supper was served.

Carrie Richardson of Baldwin spent several days in this place recently, visiting her friends, Misses Gatchell and Mrs. C. E. Hill.

The Ladies' Quartet and Regal Brass Quartet of Fryeburg gave a concert at the Congregational church, Tuesday evening, under the management of the Brownfield Library Club. Susan Walker, a member of the ladies' quartet, gave several readings. The program was delightful from beginning to end and greatly enjoyed by all who heard it.

NORTH NEWRY.

Bert Pratt of Grafton was in town, last Sunday.

Effie Thurston was in Andover visiting last week.

Guy Thurston and Luman Grover of Errol were in town, Monday.

James Meachen has been visiting his brother Ned at R. W. Kilgore's.

There will be a ball, oyster and pastry supper at Newry Corner, April 6th.

David Vail has finished logging and will move out of the woods, this week.

There are quite a number of men at R. W. Kilgore's, waiting for the drive.

Ora Green of Lexington is stopping at his grandmother's, Mrs. R. B. Knapp's.

Maenette B. Littlehale has finished her school at Magalloway and returned home.

The school board met, last Saturday, and chose L. W. Kilgore, Supt. of schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kilgore's little daughter, who has had pneumonia, is much better.

The dance at Eames' Hall was well attended, Saturday evening. A pleasant time was enjoyed by all.

H. F. Thurston was at Gilead, last week, sealing for the International Paper Co. of Rumford Falls.

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NORTH BUCKFIELD.

Reuben Farrar has a cancer on his lip. Josie Monk has been quite sick, the past week.

Not a spot of bare ground could be seen, March 28.

Holman Monk is making a traverse party for himself.

John Chaplin has moved from Bethel to his farm in Paris.

Mrs. J. E. Mayhew visited her sister Georgeanna, the 24th.

Harry Buck and family were at J. A. Warren's, last Sunday.

Mrs. Will Bisbee is visiting at her father's for a few days.

Mrs. Florence Heald has just completed a handsome crazy quilt.

Charles Damon and wife were at Joseph O. Jordan's, last Sunday.

Etsel Smith has been having a bad eye, caused by getting Paris green in it.

Gene Fuller has a new covered cart to start out with hulled corn, later on.

A Mr. Harriman and Earl Hammond were in our place on business, quite recently.

Will Fogg and wife were at West Sumner, last Sunday, visiting at Will Keene's.

Gideon Hammond has been sick, nearly all winter. One of his legs is badly swollen.

Erin Stiles from Bethel is in town. He stopped over night, with his son Frank, the 25th.

Ellie Dell Ames from Rumford Falls is passing her vacation at her grandfather Bicknell's.

Mrs. Belle Swallow and Aunt Beekie have just finished drawn rugs, and Rosa Warren is on her second one.

A physician has removed a wart from Jim Richards' eyelid. It pained him very much, before it was taken away.

V. D. Bicknell has been sick, all winter. For the last three weeks, he has been worse and confined to his bed, part of the time.

EAST PERU.

G. B. Griffith has a pair of new horses. Guy F. Holman is sick with the grip and pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Packard visited at A. S. Holman's, Sunday.

OXFORD.

It is now expected there will be a dance, Saturday evening, at Robinson Hall.

Walter Pike and wife started, Monday, for Hartford, Conn. They have a situation there.

The L. H. L. Club met, Monday evening, with Mrs. Leander Wardwell. A very pleasant evening was spent.

Owing to the bad storm, Friday, the lecture by Rev. Mr. Cummings was not as well attended as expected. The lecture was very fine.

St. Elmo Lodge, K. of P., of Mechanic Falls, visited Craigie Lodge, Tuesday evening. The 2d and 3d degrees were conferred, after which all partook of supper.

Sunday evening, the churches united in their meeting and met at the Methodist church. We understand this will continue for the present, Sunday evenings, which will be very pleasant as it will unite the societies more sociably.

Hatch & Skillin Concert Company give a concert at Robinson Hall, Oxford, Monday evening, April 3d. Prof. McConnell will give an exhibition of his rapid and wonderful drawings. Doors open at 7.15, to commence at 8 o'clock.

Oxford Village Corporation.

The annual meeting of the corporation was held on Wednesday evening of last week, and the following officers were chosen.

Moderator, A. S. Fuller. Clerk, F. B. Andrews. Treasurer, J. L. Holden. Assessors, S. D. Edwards, F. B. Andrews, J. L. Holden.

Engineers, Walter Wood, Merrill Brackett, Wm. E. Bumpus. Fire Police, J. L. Holden, Newton Littlewood, Almon Crocker. J. F. L. Walker, Geo. Hazen, Wm. Baxton.

Voted to raise \$325 for electric lights; \$25 for contingent fund; \$25 for repairs on engine, engine house and reservoirs.

ALLEN HILL.—David Edwards is stopping at present with his daughter, Mrs. James Walker.

Bert S. Lamb visited friends in Harrison, last week.

Mrs. Nettie McAllister has been at work for Mrs. J. L. Witham.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Odway spent Sunday with friends at Harrison.

Mr. Thomas Veaton, accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Lillian West, has returned home.

Mrs. Dean Walker and son of Norway visited her sister, Mrs. James Walker, one day last week.

Mr. L. Odway who has been visiting her friends, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sawyer, at West Minot, has returned home.

DENMARK.

Albion P. Merrill is on the sick list.

Most of the farmers here sell cream to the butter factory.

Since the mills started, the farmers are carrying sawdust to cover their ice.

Sidney Orent and wife of East Denmark called on Mrs. Witham, recently. Mrs. Witham is very feeble.

Mrs. Clara Belcher returned home, last week, from Boston and vicinity, where she has visited, the past few weeks.

Erastus Deering of the north-west part of the town visited this vicinity, last week. He is about 80 years old, a fine old man, and we were glad to have a short visit from him.

We have had several snow storms, recently, and if ever we have had six weeks' sledding in March, we'll have it, this spring.

The air is cold, sharp and crisp, and the snow is firm, and there is enough to last a long time.

Mrs. Jacob Merrifield had a serious bleeding spell from the nose, a few days ago. They feared she would bleed to death, before it could be stopped. They called the doctor and her brother, A. H. Witham, in the night, but the bleeding was stopped. She has had a slight spell of bleeding, since.

A large animal is in our woods and our hunters do not seem anxious to hunt him.

Ralph Lamb of South Windham is visiting his friends, R. C. and Albert Harriman.

G. A. Smith has had the grip and will not start for California till the 14th of April.

Quite a stir in oxen in this town. C. B. Smith sold his Devons to go to Old Orchard and bought another pair, Monday. A. P. Pingree sold his large Sparks to Sim. Eaton of Brownfield, while there are several other sales of oxen in town. We have plenty of steers but large oxen are very scarce.

BYRON.

Mrs. P. D. Taylor is quite sick, this week.

Many are quite sick, who were vaccinated, recently.

Mrs. John Taylor of Vermont is visiting her mother, Mrs. A. S. Young.

There will be three singing schools at the Center schoolhouse, this week.

Myra Richmond has gone to Brunswick to visit her brother Iva, who is attending college there.

Mrs. Annie Hyland and daughter Maude have returned from Massachusetts, where they have been stopping, the past week.

Reuben Richmond is still logging. He has seen spruce to haul from the yards to the river. All other loggers finished up, some time ago.

G. L. Hall and G. T. Hodsdon are gumming at Swift River pond, but on account of bad weather and poor snow-shoeing have gathered but little gum, so far.

Buckskin Sam is papering L. A. Thomas' new house in Roxbury, this week. Sam is also a good painter and has several jobs to do, up and down the river, this spring. He will return to Bemis, in April.

EAST WATERFORD.

The birch mill has shut down for lack of water.

J. E. McIntire has a crew of men demolishing the Dago shanty at the junction.

Sheriff Cross visited this place, Tuesday. People smell mischief when they see Thad coming.

P. N. and J. B. Haskell attended the funeral of Mrs. Cyrus Haskell at Bolster's Mills, Monday.

Almost everybody seems to be imbued with the dancing mania, from gray heads down to the smallest kids.

P. N. Haskell is in poor health, has pretty much given up business, and confines himself indoors most of the time.

Chas. Hall, the veteran teamster, has sold his team and will go down east to live with his aunt in a few days. His faithful services and cheap rates will be greatly missed.

SNOW'S FALLS.

B. C. Curtis is the owner of a litter of eight fine pigs.

Fred J. Wood went to Boston, the first of the week, on business.

Ethel C. Robinson is spending a few days with her cousin, Mrs. Vernon Walton.

Ray Tyler, younger son of J. G. Tyler, who has been ill with pneumonia, is convalescent.

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